John Kling has signed with the I liams for his title. Because of ill-Cincinnati Reds, according to a statement given out by Garry Herrmann.

Roy Chapman, the Cleveland shortstop, a sensation last year with Toledo, has deserted the holdouts and signed for 1913.

Charley Carr of the Kansas City team has an idea that is likely to make a great hit with baseball managers. Carr will establish a winter prep school for voung players in Texas on a 400acre tract. Twenty diamonds will be laid out, and the instructors will be men who are at the head of their class in the various departments of baseball. Many managers are expected to send their recruits to Carr for training during the winter months, and reports will also be made on men who take the course, and who have been previously unknown.

Wikoff, former Ohio State athlete, now running under colors of Chicago A. A., established a new armory record of 25:46 4-5 in the five-mile race of the Central A. A. championships last night. Finals in all events will be held tonight at the First Regiment Armory.

Billy McCarney, who is managing the all-championship tour of Luther McCarty, Johnny Kilbane and Johnny Coulon, wants to add Packey McFarland to the aggregation.

Johnny Coulon isn't going to be such a howling drawing card on this exhibition tour unless he soon shows a disposition to accept the challenge of Kid Wil- ter of the occasion. He'll be fight-

ness Coulon is entitled to a month or six weeks more to get in shape for a championship bout, but articles could be drawn for the scrap right now if Johnny means business. Not knocking Johnny, because he looks mighty sweet against Williams. It's up to him to show it, however.

Dixie Kid knocked out Jim-Hulls in the sixth round at Plymouth, England, last night. The Yank was outweighed, but battered down the Briton.

Kid Burns of the Waverly A. C. added_another scalp when he flopped Kid Jones of Riverside, Ill., in straight falls. The first was in 45 minutes, 12 seconds; the second in 16:09. Burns, who claims the bantamweight championship of Chicago, has been wrestling under the name of the Little Mvsterious Machinist. He is open to meet all comers at 105 pounds.

The Overlands of Toledo.established a tournament record of 2.992 in the A. B. C. meet at Toledo. Mountain and Carlson of Chicago top the two-man event with 1.277. Howley of Chicago is individual high man with 645.

Snow prevented the Reds taking outdoor practice at West Baden today. Tinker worked his men in the natatorium.

Manager McGraw of the New York Giants is confronted with a fist full of 1913 baseball "ifs."

The little manager has faced similar situations in the past and has always proved himself mas-